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TITLE OF INVENTION: MOLECULAR MEMORY OBTAINED USING DNA STRAND MOLECULAR SWITCHES AND CARBON NANOTUBES, AND METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING THE SAME

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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

In response to the Examiner's Reasons for Allowance set forth in the Notice of Allowability in this case mailed May 8, 2007, the Applicants, acting through their attorney, provides the following comments.

The undersigned does not necessarily agree with the reasons set forth in the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance. Moreover, it should be pointed out that the claims may be allowable for other reasons. Furthermore, with regard to the independent claims the Examiner mentions only a particular element in each of

these claims while it is the combination of elements recited in each such claim that is allowable.

While the combinations of elements recited in claims 1, 5-8, 10, 12-16, 18-21, and 30 are patentable, the undersigned would also like to point out that some or all of these individual elements may be broadened such that the resulting combination is still patentable. The Applicants may elect to pursue such claims, or to pursue claims directed to other aspects of the present invention through a divisional, continuation or reissue application, or through a reexamination proceeding, as appropriate.

Please note that in the Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) filed along with the filing of the present application U.S. Patent No. 6,314,019 was cited to the Examiner. This patent was cited in the European Search Report of the corresponding European patent application. In the first Office Action mailed on April 4, 2006, the Examiner initialed all references cited in the IDS except for the '019 patent. She did, however, initial the European Search Report containing this patent and by doing so she has implicitly considered the '019 patent. Moreover, the '019 patent is cited in the European Search Report as merely an "A" reference cited for technological background and was not deemed to be particularly relevant to the present application. Regardless, the '019 patent is of record as having been considered by the Examiner through her initialing the European Search Report in the submitted IDS. The Examiner has formally acknowledged this fact through the Office communication mailed June 11, 2007.

Finally, the undersigned would like to point out that he agrees with and adopts the Examiner's summary of substance of telephone interviews conducted with the Examiner in the present application.

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If the Examiner believes that a phone interview would be helpful, he is respectfully requested to contact the Applicant's attorney, Paul F. Rusyn, at (425) 455-5575.

DATED this 8th day of August, 2007.

Respectfully submitted,

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A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Paul F. Rusyn". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Paul" and last name "Rusyn" being more prominent than the middle initial "F.".

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